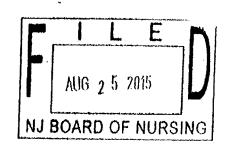
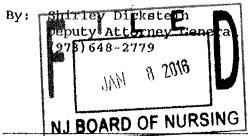
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

Deeana N. Tyre, C.H.H.A. Certificate No. 26NH09570000

PROVISIONAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE

Final order of discipling (Finalized by default on January 19016 (01) or (2016)

HOMEMAKER-HOME HEALTH AIDE IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing (the "Board") upon receipt of information which the Board has reviewed and upon which the following preliminary findings of fact and conclusions of law are made:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Decanna N. Tyre ("Respondent") is a certified homemaker-home health aide in the State of New Jersey and has been a licensee at all times relevant hereto. (Exhibit A).

- 2. The Board received a complaint on July 12, 2013 from Respondent's employer, Care Alternative's Hospice alleging that Respondent paid her bills from her client's checking account. On July 5, 2013, Respondent was terminated from her position at Care Alternatives. (Exhibit B).
- 3. Respondent was arrested on November 21, 2013 for Violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:20-3, Theft by Unlawful Raking or Disposition (two counts) and found Respondent guilty of the reduced charge of N.J.S.A. 2C:33-2, Improper Behavior/Disorderly Conduct and fined \$408.00. (Exhibit C).
- 4. Respondent provided a sworn statement dated March 13, 2014 in which she admitted that "for her convenience" she called PSEG and Cablevision to deduct the payments from the client's account but claimed that the client offered to pay her bills after hearing her complain of money problems. (Exhibit D).

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondent's admission and conviction is a violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(f) and constitutes professional misconduct under N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e), both of which subject Respondent to disciplinary action.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 25 day of August , 2015, ORDERED that:

- 1. Upon the filing of a FINAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE, Respondent's certificate to practice as a homemaker-home health aide will be suspended for two (2) years. Upon the filing of a FINAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE, Respondent shall refrain from engaging in the practice as a homemaker-home health aide and shall not represent herself as a homemaker-home health aide until such time as her certification is reinstated. Any practice in this State prior to such reinstatement shall constitute grounds for a charge of unlicensed practice.
- 2. Upon the filing of a FINAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE, Respondent shall, within 5 (five) days, mail her certificate, wall and wallet version, to practice as a homemaker-home health aide to Twalema Khonje, State Board of Nursing, P.O. Box 45010, Newark, New Jersey 07101.
- Respondent is assessed a civil penalty in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1000). Payment shall be made by certified check, bank cashier check, or money order payable to "State of New Jersey," or by wire transfer, direct deposit, or credit card payment delivered or mailed to Twalema Khonje, State Board of Nursing, P.O. Box 45010, Newark, New Jersey 07101. Any other form of payment will be rejected and will be returned to the party making the payment. Payment shall be made no later than

fifteen (15) days after the date of filing of a FINAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE. In the event Respondent fails to make a timely payment, a certificate of debt shall be filed in accordance with N.J.S.A. 45:1-24 and the Board may bring such other proceedings as authorized by law.

- 4. The within order shall be subject to finalization by the Board at 5:00 p.m. on the 30th day following entry hereof unless Respondent requests a modification or dismissal of the above stated Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law by:
 - a) Submitting a written request for modification or dismissal to Twalema Khonje, State Board of Nursing, 124 Halsey Street, Sixth Floor, P.O. Box 45010, Newark, New Jersey 07101.
 - b) Setting forth in writing any and all reasons why said findings and conclusions should be modified or dismissed.
 - c) Submitting any and all documents or other written evidence supporting Respondent's request for consideration and reasons therefor or offered in mitigation of penalty.
- 5. Any submissions will be reviewed by the Board and the Board will thereafter determine whether further proceedings are necessary. If no material discrepancies are raised through a supplemental submission during the thirty-day period, or if the Board is not persuaded that the submitted materials merit further consideration, a FINAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE will be entered.

- 6. In the event that Respondent's submissions establish a need for further proceedings, including, but not limited to an evidentiary hearing, Respondent shall be notified with regard thereto. In the event that an evidentiary hearing is ordered, the preliminary findings of fact and conclusions of law contained herein may serve as notice of the factual and legal allegations in such proceeding. Further, in the event a hearing is held and upon review of the record, the Board shall not be limited to the findings, conclusions and sanctions stated herein.
- 7. In the event that the Board receives no written request for modification or dismissal within 30 days following entry of this Provisional Order, without further Board review, all referenced preliminary Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and all provisional sanctions or penalties imposed by this Order shall automatically become the Final Decision and Order of the Board. Thereafter, Respondent's failure to comply with any sanction or penalty imposed by this Order shall be considered a violation of a Board Order in contravention of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21 (e) and (h) and N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.4 and may subject Respondent to additional sanction and/or penalty.
 - 8. The Board reserves the right to initiate disciplinary

proceedings based upon any new information the Board receives.

9. If Respondent's certification to practice as a homemaker-home health aide is reinstated, the Board, in its discretion, may impose any conditions or restrictions on licensure it deems necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By:

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